The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for St. Thomas More would like to thank all the parishioners who donated to our ministry in the first quarter. Without your support, we would not have been able to provide much needed assistance to

families to keep families in their homes, or keep their water, gas, or electricity services turned on. In addition, we help them secure food through our food pantry, which is open the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:00 to 1:00 pm at the back of the church.

For the quarter ending March 31st, we deployed \$6,085 in rental assistance to help nine families with housing needs, and we deployed \$1,915 to help five families pay their utility bills. Additionally, we served an average of fifty families at each of our Food Pantries by partnering with Second Harvest of Orange County and supplementing their deliveries at a cost of roughly \$2,100 a month, which is up from ~\$1,700 a month last year.

We were blessed with \$9,050 in donations from our parish community, which helps us tremendously as we head into spring and summer. So, thank you again. Without your donations, we wouldn't have been able to provide this assistance.

If you're interested in learning more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and how we help those in need, please call 949-331-1020 or email us at <u>volunteer@svdpstm.org</u>. If you'd like to donate, you can do so through the e-giving portal on the church website.

Thank you so much and God bless.

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